

**THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF GATESHEAD (DUNSTON AREA, GATESHEAD)
(20MPH ZONE) (WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS) ORDER 2020**

Statement of Reasons

The 20mph speed limit zone, double yellow lines for this area was proposed as part of the Council's speed management plan.

The speed management plan sets the standard speed limits in urban areas as 30mph with local speed limits of 20mph encouraged in situations where there is a particular risk to vulnerable road users.

In May 2009 the Council's Cabinet approved an implementation strategy to introduce 20mph speed limits or zones at specified retail centres, schools and within previously traffic calmed residential areas.

Gateshead Council as Highway Authority propose to make the above order in discharge of its duty under Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, "to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians)", in accordance with the provisions of Section 1(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 namely:-

- (a) For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising;
- (c) For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians);
- (d) For preventing the use of the road by a vehicular traffic of a kind which, or its use by vehicular traffic in a manner which, is unsuitable having regard to the existing character of the road or adjoining property; or
- (f) for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.